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LOSS OF JOB DUE TO TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether many regular employees in organised sector have to lose or have lost their jobs due to technological changes;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and current year; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to upgrade the technological skills of such employees so that they could retain their job?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a&b) As per Employment Market Information Programme of Directorate General of Employment and Training, employment in organised sector for the year 2003, 2004 and 2005 as on 31st March are 270.00,264.43, 264.58 lakh , respectively.

(c) Government runs a number of Advance Training Institute for upgradtion of skills of existing industrial workers. Government have also undertaken a project for five hundred government ITIs into centre of excellence with the World Bank assistance in five years starting from 2005 to train out the world class skill professional. Another scheme for upgradation of remaining 1396 govt. ITIs in Public Private Partnership mode has been announced by the Finance Minister in his 2007-08 budget speech.